

Spirit of St. Louis Marathon--Federal Runners, Walkers and Volunteers Needed

The Sports Commission, St. Louis 2004 and the Spirit of St. Louis Marathon, are hosting the 2003 USA Women's Marathon Championship on April 5. In 2004 St. Louis will host the USA Women's Marathon Olympics Trials.

The top women runners in the country will be in St. Louis this spring competing for the title of National Champion. This will take place during an exciting weekend of other running events.

The Spirit of St. Louis Marathon & Family Fitness Weekend will be April 4-6. The weekend includes a marathon, half-marathon, and marathon relays taking place in Forest Park or Downtown St. Louis. Other events are a Health and Fitness Expo, the Mayor's 5K Run/Walk, and Children's Fun Run Events,

The Greater St. Louis Federal Executive Board has a role in supporting the weekend activities, specifically to assist with recruiting marathon runners. Application forms have been placed in a number of federal building fitness facilities. The application is also online at www.stlouismarathon.com. We request that if you register, you indicate on the line "Employer" FEB. This will give us the tracking we need for federal participants.

Volunteers are also needed for all of the planned events. That application is also available online at www.stlouissports.org/volunteer/marathon_application.html. Becky Painter is the volunteer coordinator at the Sports Commission. You can reach her at 314-992-0684 if you have any questions. The Board is considering a special agency award for participation in the events. Details will be forthcoming.